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| 107 | SMH Curie Cancer Centre (Shanti Mukund Hospital), Vikas Marg, Karkardooma, Delhi | Comprehensive Oncology including surgery, chemotherapy and radiotherapy. |
| 108 | Max Hospital, HBT Twin Tower, Wazirpur Institutional Area, Pitam Pura, New Delhi | Orthopaedic surgery including arthroscopic surgery and joint replacement. |
| 109 | Brahm Shakti Hospital & Research Center, Budh Vihar, Delhi | Multi-speciality general purpose. |

**Redefining of counterfeit drugs**

645. PROF. ALKA BALRAM KSHATRIYA: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether his attention has been drawn to WHO attempt on redefining counterfeit drugs and state the initiative taken by Government to redefine/counter resolution the definition of counterfeit drugs amongst the developing countries;

(b) whether Government is aware about the private funding by international Federation of Pharmaceuticals Manufacturers Associations (IFPMA) of multinational pharma companies in International Medical Products Anti-counterfeiting Task Force (IMPACT) organization, which is pushing for change of definition of counterfeit drugs through WHO; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by Government to protect the interest of poor patients of the developing countries?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) Yes Sir. The Ministry of Health and Family Welfare had raised its concern in the international meetings of WHO on redefining counterfeit drugs. In the meeting of SEARO under WHO in September, 2008, India raised objection to the proposed definition of Counterfeit medicines as given by IMPACT and an alternative definition was proposed in consultation with other developing countries. Matter was further taken up in the WHO Executive Board Meeting at Geneva in January, 2009. As a result of continuous effort of Indian Government & other developing countries, the Executive Board of World Health Organizations (WHO) requested Director General, WHO to prepare another evidence based report outlining in detail the issues relating to "counterfeit" medical products in the context of public health.

(b) Yes Sir.

(c) Meetings were held with the various pharmaceutical industry organizations like Federation of Indian Pharma Entrepreneurs (FOPE), Indian Drugs Manufacturers Association (IDMA), Organization of Pharmaceutical Producers of India (OPPI), Confederation of India Pharmaceuticals Industries (C1PI), India Pharmaceuticals Alliance (IPA), SME Pharma Industries Confederation

(SPIC), Third World Network and Pharmaxil to discuss the proposed definition on counterfeit medicines. Discussions were held on each and every word of the definition of counterfeit medicine as it would affect the Indian Generic Industry which caters to the poor patient of India and other developing countries. Government is making efforts at every international forum to protect the interest of poor patients of the developing countries.

**Eradication of polio**

646. SHRI M.V. MYSURA REDDY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that 5 polio cases have been reported from the State of Andhra Pradesh in 2007;

(b) if so, the details of type of polio cases reported;

(c) whether any case of polio was reported in the year 2008 from Andhra Pradesh;

(d) if so, the details thereof;

(e) whether it is also a fact that 900 cases of polio have been reported in 2007 in the country;

(f) if so, the details thereof; State-wise;

(g) the number of polio cases reported in 2008; State-wise;

(h) whether there is any plan before the Government to review polio eradication programme;

(i) if so, the details thereof; and

(j) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI PANABAKA LAKSHMI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The 5 cases reported in 2007 from Andhra Pradesh are Wild Polio Virus Type 1.

(c) and (d) Yes Sir. The case reported in 2008 was Wild Polio Virus Type 3 & from East Godavari District.

(e) and (f) Yes, Sir. 874 Cases of Wild Polio Virus cases were reported during 2007. State wise, number of cases is given in the Statement-I (*See* below).

(g) The number of polio cases reported State-wise during 2008 is given in Statement-II (*See* below).

(h) to (j) The epidemiological situation of polio is reviewed by India Expert Advisory Group on polio (IEAG). The IEAG consists of International & National experts in the field of Public Health, Microbiologists, Pediatricians. The IEAG review the epidemiological situation of polio twice a year (Nov-Dec & May-June)

The last review was held on 10-11th Nov, 2008.